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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Hajime ITO, Minoru KANAI,
Masanobu TANIGUCHI, Kenji USUI
LIGHT ALLOY WHEEL FOR VEHICLE AND METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR PRODUCING SAME
Assignee: HITACHI METALS, LTD.
Our Ref. Q68026

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 36 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and , 15 sheet(s) of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	21 - 20	=	1	x	\$18.00	=	\$18.00
Independent claims	5 - 3	=	2	x	\$84.00	=	\$168.00
Base Fee							\$740.00
TOTAL FEE							\$926.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$926.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

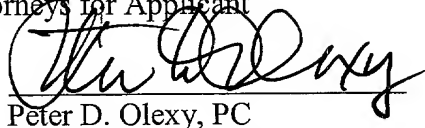
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-3859	January 11, 2001

The priority document(s) will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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